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**Copyright Royalty Board**

**[Docket No. 15-0008-CRB-SATR (2015-19)]**

**Determination of Royalty Rates for Secondary Transmissions of Broadcasts by Satellite Carriers and Distributors: Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commencement of Proceeding and Solicitation of Petitions to Participate; Withdrawal.

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**SUMMARY:** The announcement of the commencement of a proceeding published on March 30, 2015, 80 FR 16702 is withdrawn.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* The commencement announcement published on March 30, 2015, is withdrawn [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

**ADDRESSES:** This notice is also posted on the agency's website ([www.loc.gov/crb](http://www.loc.gov/crb)).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Copyright Royalty Judges have decided to withdraw the commencement of a proceeding based on a reconsideration of the congressional intent behind the enactment of the STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014 Public Law No. 113-200. The provisions of the reauthorization act extend the satellite carrier statutory license under section 119 of the Copyright Act (Act) to December 31, 2019. *See* 17 U.S.C. 119(h). Despite some conflicting statutory language

in the new law, the Judges conclude that the rates in effect on December 31, 2014, which were established by a voluntary agreement among certain satellite carriers and copyright owners and which are codified at 37 CFR 386.2(b), continue in effect, subject only to the annual royalty fee adjustment provision found at 17 U.S.C. 119(c)(2). *See* section 119 (c)(1)(E) of the Copyright Act. 17 U.S.C. 119(c)(1)(e) (2014).<sup>1</sup> A proceeding to determine rates for the statutory license is not necessary.

DATED: April 16, 2015.

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Suzanne M. Barnett,  
Chief Copyright Royalty Judges.

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<sup>1</sup> In a subsequent notice, the Judges will announce the adjusted satellite rate for 2015.